

SR-12, Escalante to Boulder Project

The SR-12, Escalante to Boulder Environmental Assessment (EA) is nearing completion. The project team has been working diligently over the past few years to ensure the improvements that are made to SR-12 meet the needs of the users as well as fit into the natural beauty of the surrounding area. The draft EA document will be available for public review and comment in late-May 2008. Copies of the document will be available to the public at the following locations:

- Download a PDF from the project website at www.udot.utah.gov/sr-12
- Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument Visitor Center (Escalante)
- Escalante Library
- Anasazi Museum (Boulder)
- Boulder Library
- Torrey Visitors Center

Additional details regarding exact dates that the document will be available will be forthcoming. Email notification will be sent and a notice will be placed on the project website, in local newspapers, and on the Federal Register.



The improvements evaluated as part of the SR-12 EA have been identified as projects that could potentially be funded within the next ten years. The improvements that are discussed thoroughly in the document include the following:

1. Obtain right-of-way from MP 68.9* to MP 83.1, where it is currently defined by RS-2477.
2. Replace Calf Creek Bridge at MP 74.5.
3. Stabilize roadway at three locations where embankment or barrier is failing:
 - MP 74.8
 - MP 75.4
 - MP 77.5 to 77.7
4. Provide six slow-vehicle turnouts, which are intended to allow slow-moving vehicles to pull aside and let other vehicles pass (they are not intended for parking):
 - Eastbound at MP 71.7, 76.2, and 79.5
 - Westbound at MP 69.9, 72.5, and 83.0
5. Improve two intersections:
 - Hole-in-the-Rock Road at MP 64.4
 - Calf Creek Recreation Area at MP 75.0
6. Widen roadway at narrow curve known as "The Tank," located at MP 71.0.
7. Improve signing for bicycles, animal presence, and roadside hazards along the entire corridor. (Specific locations will be determined during design.)

If you have any questions or comments regarding the SR-12, Escalante to Boulder Environmental Assessment, please email the project team at sr-12@hwlochner.com or contact Randi Shover at (801) 262-8700.

Your input has been very valuable to this project. The project team welcomes any input that you may have. Additional information regarding this project can also be found on the project website at:

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* MP locations are approximate